The CASE of Sir *Robert Markham*, Baronet, concerning his Election as Burgeſs to ſit in this PARLIAMENT, for *Grantham* in *Lincolnſhire*.

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Humbly preſented to the Conſideration of the Honourable the Knights, Citizens, and Burgeſſes in Parliament aſſembled.

SIR *William Thorold* dying, a Writ iſſued to Elect one other Burgeſs to ſerve in his place for the ſaid Town; which Writ coming to the High-Sheriff of the County, he made out his Precept to the Alderman of the place (who is the proper Officer to execute the ſame) to proceed to ſuch Election; which accordingly he did do on the 12*th* of *March* 1678; when Sir *Robert* (ſtanding in competition with Sir *William Ellis*, who had by Bribes and other undue means and practices, been above [redacted] Months before Sir *William Thorold*'s death, endeavouring to get Voices in order to his being Elected) was duly Elected, Proclaimed, and Return'd, and is the ſitting-member.

Sir *William* minding to give Sir *Robert* unneceſſary trouble and charge, hath petition'd this Honourable Houſe, pretends he was duly choſen; which Petition is refer'd to the Honourable Committee of Priviledges, who have appointed to hear his Cauſe upon the merits thereof, on *Tueſday* the Fourth of *June*, 1678; when

Sir Robert *prays favour that his Cauſe may be fully heard, and doubts not ther[redacted], [redacted] of the Juſtice of this Honourable Houſe, upon their hearing the report thereof.*